

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:) Art Unit: 2163
HAYDEN)
Application No.: 10/708,867) Examiner: Patrick A. Darno
File: March 29, 2004)
Atty. Docket No.: 47315.0038)
Title: "DISTRIBUTED NETWORK)
STORAGE SYSTEM WITH)
VIRTUALIZATION")

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Commissioner for Patents
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REPLY TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION
(37 CFR §1.111(a)(1))

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action having a mailing date of July 27, 2006, please amend and reconsider the above-identified application as follows:

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.